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PATENT

Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Address To: Commissioner for Patents 220 20 th Street South Customer Window, Mail Stop RCE Crystal Plaza Two, Lobby, Room 1803 Arlington, Virginia 22202 Fax No.: 703-872-9319	Application No.	: 10/707,141
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	First Named Inventor	: Hou et al.
	Group Art Unit	: 2861
	Examiner	: FEGGINS, KRISTAL J
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114.

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____
☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- b. ☐ Enclosed
☒ Preliminary Amendment in (8) page(s).
☐ Other Documents in () page(s).

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ month(s).
- b. ☐ Associate Power of Attorney.

3. Fees are calculated as follows:

	NUMBER FILED	CLAIMS FILED HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
Basic Fee				\$790	\$ 790
Total Claims	18	MINUS 20	= 0	x 50	= \$ 0
Independent Claims	2	MINUS 3	= 0	x 200	= \$ 0
[] month(s) extension of time is hereby requested.					
				Time Extension Fee	=
				Total:	\$790

PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD

Substitute for Form PTO-875

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))		
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))		minus 20 =
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))		minus 3 =
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT (37 CFR 1.16(d))		

SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
	\$
X \$ 9 =	
X \$ 43 =	
+ \$ 145 =	
TOTAL	

OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
	\$
X \$ 18 =	
X \$ 86 =	
+ \$ 290 =	
TOTAL	

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	18	Minus	20
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	7	Minus	3
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))			

SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$ 9 =	
X \$ 43 =	
+ \$ 145 =	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

OR

OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$ 18 =	
X \$ 86 =	
+ \$ 290 =	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))		Minus	
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))		Minus	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))			

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$ =	
X \$ =	
+ \$ =	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

OR

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$ =	
X \$ =	
+ \$ =	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)
AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))		Minus	
Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))		Minus	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))			

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$ =	
X \$ =	
+ \$ =	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

OR

RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
X \$ =	
X \$ =	
+ \$ =	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	

- * If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.
- ** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20".
- *** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3".

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.

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